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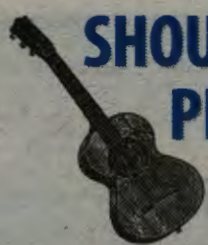
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## SHOULDA LEARNED TO PLAY THE GUITAR

Texas musician brings country to the  
Bridge Lounge

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## ON THE OFFENSIVE

Eastern prepares to battle Purdue this weekend  
but Purdue, the favorite, will have to do their  
homework on the Panthers offense.

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## A NEW DAY FOR A NEW FRAT

Beta Theta Pi looks for  
'the best men possible'

By Emily Zulz  
Staff Reporter

Four years ago Bob Dudolski, director of Greek Life, began work on adding a new leadership fraternity to Eastern.

That fraternity was Beta Theta Pi. According to Joe Kokojan, director of expansion for Beta Theta Pi, the fraternity started in 1839 and was founded on high academic standards, mutual assistance, and service to others.

Dudolski said he knew the Betas had been interested in coming to Eastern and, knowing their reputation, he was eager to bring them to campus.

The process of bringing the Betas to Eastern began a year and a half ago, but it was not finalized until last December.

"We just knew that Beta's mission, along with a vibrant campus community here and a very strong Greek culture, was a recipe for success," said Kokojan.

Kokojan said the Betas are excited to finally be on campus after working on the project for quite some time. He is glad to see the students respond so positively and believe in what they are doing.

Now the fraternity's main goal is recruiting.



Russell Catigan, Beta Theta Pi leadership consultant, talks with Arturo Plaza, a sophomore pre law major, about becoming a founding father of the expansion colony on Wednesday afternoon in the South Quad.

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## Academic misconduct falls 15.07%

Number of cases  
overall much higher  
than a decade ago

By Stephen Di Benedetto  
Senior University Reporter

Heather Webb cannot figure it out and thinks no one really can.

There were 124 determined academic misconduct cases for the 2006-2007 school year, which is fewer than the 2005-2006 total of 146.

But the breakdown in determined academic misconduct cases by class is what stumps Webb.

"The results are so mixed that it is not possible to make a statement about who cheats more," the director of judicial affairs said. "At Eastern, these numbers can actually vary from year to year."

Seniors finished with the highest misconduct cases with 36, juniors and freshmen tied for second with 32, sophomores came in third with 20, and graduate students finished last with four.

About 70 students were caught plagiarizing assignments. Webb said there are many reasons, which could explain why students plagiarize more than anything else.

"It is very easy for a student to simply cut and paste materials from the Internet," she added.

From 1991 to 2001, the highest total of academic misconduct cases within one school year did not exceed 55.

There have only been two school years where the academic misconduct cases stayed in the double digits since then.

"The increasing use of technology certainly impacts academic dishonesty," Webb said.

She said awareness of the problem and instructors talking to students about academic dishonesty are some of the best prevention strategies.

Staff members from the office of judicial affairs make several presentations throughout the semester on how to avoid academic dishonesty, she added.

"We would like to encourage a culture where students take more ownership in this issue and hold each other accountable for their actions in the classroom," Webb said.

She said teachers mostly discover academic dishonesty, but department chairs and students have also been known to report academic dishonesty.

The office of judicial affairs encourages teachers to discuss the incident with the student upon spotting academic misconduct, Webb said.

## Perry shares vision for Eastern's future

Plans to increase awareness of university's  
strengths, specialty programs

By Chris Walden  
Student Government Reporter

Eastern President Bill Perry spoke at Wednesday's Student Senate meeting with a vision for Eastern "to stay affordable for students and give students a chance to prove themselves."

Speaking to the senate for the first time, Perry reiterated his major goal for Eastern to be a first-choice school in Illinois. In addition, he opened himself up for questions from the student senate.

Many of the questions concerned promoting publicity for Eastern, as several senate members voiced concerns of friends and family members not always being aware of what Eastern has to offer students.

Perry responded with plans to capitalize and advertise more many of Eastern's specialty majors and minors, as well as the more well

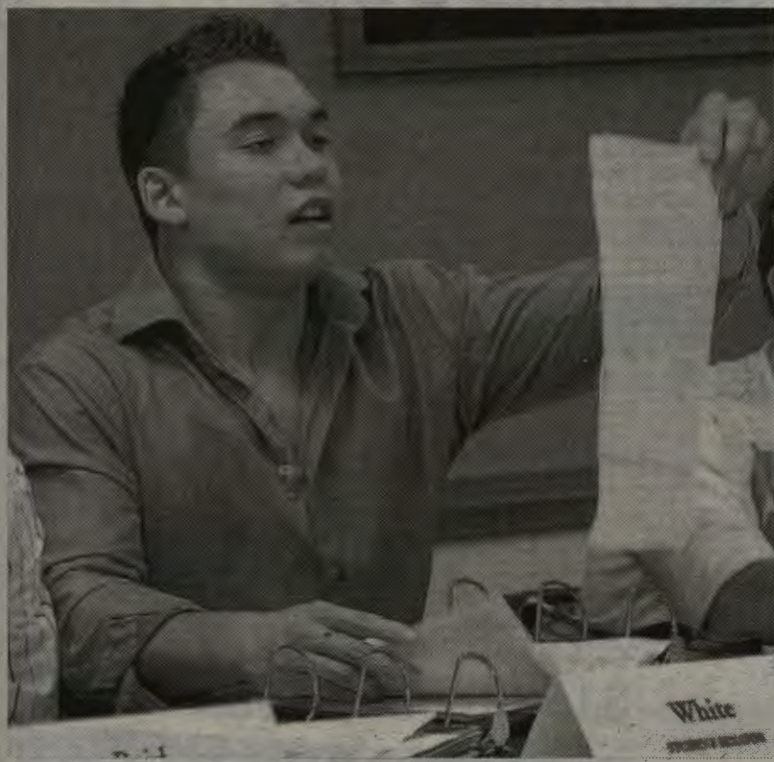
known signature programs, like its education program.

"People need to know what's here at Eastern," Perry said. He also said he intends to maintain Eastern enrollment at around 12,000 students.

Cole Rogers, student body president, asked how admission requirements might change if Eastern does manage to attract more students due to increased popularity.

"There will be more demand to come to Eastern," Perry said. "But it will not become an elitist institution."

Perry said among the things he and his associates think are great about Eastern is it's affordable, the existence of textbook rental services, and the growing number of scholarships available to students.



Dave Keyes, student senator, talks about an event where students will question and submit suggestions to the student government.

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## WEATHER OUTLOOK

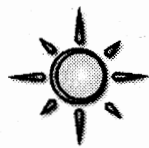
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## Recruitment is primary focus

BETA, FROM PAGE 1

"The big thing is we're trying to find the best men possible and a lot of times they're in this group and that group, so we're getting around and trying to speak with as many people as we can about our mission," said Kokojan.

Their mission includes a lifelong friendship, cultivation of the intellect, responsible leadership, responsible social conduct and commitment to community.

Kokojan said the Betas are currently working from a tracking list of about 40 men that have showed interest in a values-based fraternity.

Beta Theta Pi, which is a part of

the Interfraternity Council, currently does not have housing but Kokojan said it will come in two to three years.

"We're recruiting on just joining it (the fraternity) because you believe; not joining it because you want to live in the house," he said.

Kokojan said membership in the leadership fraternity lasts longer than the three or four years a student is at school.

"If you're looking for leadership, and if you're about leadership, Beta Theta Pi's the mechanism to take you to the next level," said Kokojan.

He said Beta is going to have a big impact on the university for a long time. Dudolski has the same

expectations.

"They're a very strong national program that we're proud of," Dudolski said. "So we think that they're going to have a great contribution to some of the men on our campus to provide them with a strong fraternity experience."

Beta will be hosting a presentation for those interested at 7 p.m. Sept. 12 in the Charleston-Mattoon Room on the third floor of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"We want to stand in front of as many organizations, as many people from campus that will listen and say, 'This is Beta Theta Pi; this is who we will be,'" said Kokojan.

## Senate delays paying IBHE bill

GOVERNMENT, FROM PAGE 1

Other questions concerned Eastern getting a fair share of the Illinois state budget. Perry assured the senate members that Eastern has two Illinois House representatives looking out for Eastern's interests.

"On my very first day at EIU, July 1, I met with some alumni who were returning to campus," Perry said. "And one of them told me that 'Whenever I see Old Main as I return to town, my heart beats a little faster.' You get that feeling if you feel something special has happened here at Eastern. I want every student to get that feeling out of Eastern."

In other news, the senate voted to table legislation for paying for the traveling costs of Eastern students representing the university at the Illinois Board of Higher Education/

Student Advisory Committee Conference (IBHE-SAC).

The student government will be paying for eight students to visit DePaul University for the two nights they stay and contribute suggestions for improving student life and education in Illinois.

The total cost combined for lodging, parking and other costs comes out to \$1,243.40. Because the legislation was tabled, it will be voted on and approved at next week's student senate meeting.

Levi Bulgar, student executive vice-president, mentioned that among other topics discussed at the meeting have been textbook rental services, making universities affordable, student safety as well as student mental health. Bulgar is one of the eight students attending the IBHE-SAC meeting, which he mentions

is among the most important of the IBHE-SAC meetings this year since it is its first.

Two new registered student organizations were approved last night by consecutive unopposed votes: the International Business Club and the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

Rich Higginbotham, vice-president for student affairs, congratulated and thanked several senate members for helping out with Pantherpalooza, which he said was a great success.

The initial student survey results from Tuesday's Pantherpalooza are available in the student government office, and Higginbotham will be following up with another survey this week to determine what students thought and liked or disliked about this year's Pantherpalooza.

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## BLOGS

Online reporter Eugenia Jefferson and Linda Moore, director of career service, explore some of the most common mistakes on resumes, with suggestions on how to improve yours to make sure you get a job.



## A SON RETURNS

Eastern head football coach Bob Spoo returns to his alma mater Saturday when the Panthers play Purdue. Staff reporter Matt Daniels talks to Spoo about how it will feel to step on the field at Purdue again.



## COFFEE HOUSE SERIES

Pounce Associate Editor Kristy Melendorf sat down with Jeff Allen, a country music singer/songwriter, who played at University Board's Coffee House Series Wednesday night in the Bridge Lounge.

## ONLINE POLL QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Should Michael Vick be allowed to play in the NFL again?

A. Yes B. No

Poll results and next week's question will be on **Page 5** of Friday's edition of The Daily Eastern News.

## DELTA SIGMA PI

PROFESSIONAL CO-ED BUSINESS FRATERNITY  
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## ◀ BECAUSE OF THIS, THESE STUDENTS... ▶



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Bailey Murphy (right, center photo), a senior theater major, reads her lines for her part in the upcoming performance of William Shakespeare's "As You Like It." Performances are typically held on campus, but Doudna's construction (pictured at top) has moved all plays to The Village Theatre (pictured below).

ment funds.

"It was supposed to be done inside three years," said Jerry Eisenhower said. "Are we getting tired of waiting? I don't know. You have to go with reality. That's all we have to go off of."

### Students

Faculty members are not the only ones who learned to be flexible during the department's hiatus from campus.

Currently, the Village Theatre is only equipped for shows presented in a theater-in-the-round style, where a stage is in the middle and the audience surrounds. However, many upper class theater students began their academic careers at Eastern with the impression that they would have access to a larger and better facility before 2008.

Doudna, when completed, will have a theater wing, which has been designed by architects whose sole purpose was designing the theater, unlike the Village Theatre which was originally built as a grocery store and later converted.

Doudna will provide the department with a wider variety of presentation styles. It will offer a three-sided trust, which is a three-sided stage that extends into the audience and offers more audience-actor contact, and a proscenium option, which faces the audience from one side of the room.

Students like sophomore Lizzy Powers and freshman Katy Kruzic said the biggest upset about having a "theater in an old grocery store" is not the facility itself but rather the distance it is away from campus.

Kruzic said that the distance to classes for her is 20 minutes by bus, 22 minutes by foot, and two minutes if she drives.

"It's easier to car pool," she said.

Kruzic said advisers usually schedule classes to help ease transportation issues.

"Teachers are understanding [if a student is late] so if you can explain why you are it's usually okay," she said.

Freshman Tim Tholl said it is upsetting when he has to travel all the way across town to class, but with Doudna opening soon it is like a light at the end of a tunnel.

The next theater department will produce "As You Like It," by William Shakespeare this October.

## CAMPUS BRIEFS

### ElU's enrollment still pulling high numbers

Eastern's fall enrollment numbers did not match last year's record setting figure, but is still the second highest total in the university's history.

Eastern enrolled 12,179 students this semester, 170 fewer students than last year's total of 12,349.

Minority student enrollment went up from 1,401 to 1,488. Minority students comprise about 12 percent of total enrollment, which is around a one percent increase from 2006.

International student enrollment increased from 151 to 185.

Eastern's undergraduate student enrollment is down from 10,592 in 2006 to 10,410. The total number of enrolled juniors and freshmen are less than 2006, while sophomore and senior enrollment slightly increased.

— Stephen Di Benedetto,  
Senior University Editor

### Overseas volunteering being offered

The International Student Volunteers will have informational meetings today about their summer travel and volunteer projects.

Students can travel overseas for volunteer work and still enjoy their time abroad. Volunteer projects could include teaching English to children, building homes and communities or helping regenerate rainforests. Adventures could include jungle kayaking, rainforest canoe explorations or taking an elephant safari.

Travel time can be from two weeks to three months and are offered between May 17 and Aug. 24.

The informationals will be every hour on the hour from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Stevenson Hall lobby.

For more information visit [www.isvonline.com](http://www.isvonline.com).

— Hayley Clark,  
News Editor

## BLOTTER

**Drew Owen Parkhurst, 18,** Bartonville, was charged with driving under the influence on Aug. 26 in the 1700 block of Ninth Ave.

**A window** was damaged by a rock in University Court on Aug. 26.

**A debit card** was reported lost or stolen and used by another person on Aug. 29.

**A Gateway keyboard** and speaker was stolen from an office on Aug. 29 in Klehm Hall.

**A black BMX bike** was reported stolen on Sept. 2 from a Douglas Hall bike rack.

**The driver's side mirror** of a car was broken on Sept. 3 in the Greek Court parking lot.

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## ...HAVE TO GO HERE ▶



### Students and faculty have mixed feelings about the Doudna construction

By **Katey Mitchell**  
Senior Campus Reporter

**B**oth students and faculty of the theater department show excitement over the upcoming completion of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

### Faculty

"I look forward to moving on campus again," Jerry Eisenhower, a member of the theater department faculty, said. "It will be less of a trek for students. Also, there used to be non-majors who would participate in shows on and off screen, now there are not that many because they don't know we're here."

Eisenhower has been teaching in the theater department for over three years and remembers the transitional period from the old fine arts building

to the current Village Theatre, where the department currently holds performances and classes.

It was a mess, Eisenhower said. He said the move was more than just classrooms. Offices, costume shops, props, lumber, everything that goes into making a working theater.

The transition took a while to set up the building, because when they moved in 2001, the Village Theatre was not yet completed, including the stage, which did not have any audience seats.

"The students were very understanding," Eisenhower said. "One acting class I had to hold in the costume shop; the stage was full — filled box to box. We said that because of that, we were doing intimate scenes that day and it actually worked."

Eisenhower said that the best and worst aspect of the current situation is that it has its own identity apart

from campus.

Eisenhower said he is not looking forward to the move back to campus, but he feels the move will help the department reacquire themselves with the student body.

Sentiments in the department are split on the transition from the Village Theatre to the new Doudna Fine Arts Building. Professor and costume designer Karen Eisenhower has been teaching at Eastern for 14 years and is looking forward to the move.

However, she said she feels that the transition into Doudna will need a lot of organization and flexibility.

"It's going to be interesting to set up and adapt to new space," Karen Eisenhower said. "Organization is the key."

She said the main challenge the department has faced was learning to be flexible when Doudna progress was set back due to stalled govern-

## Expo aims to ease transition

Expo gave new Eastern transfer students a chance to ask questions about campus, local area

By **Taylor Thompson**  
Staff Reporter

The Transfer Relations Expo Wednesday featured five 30-minute sessions on topics from the best place to eat in Charleston to how to write a will.

The expo featured informational sessions with speakers from organizations including Career Services and the Counseling Center.

One of the sessions was a transfer student panel, made up of transfer

counselor Leigh McElhenny and Samantha Williams, intern for Transfer Relations.

The question-and-answer style panel allowed new transfer students to ask questions about campus and things to do around Charleston.

"There are groups on campus for just about anything and everything possible," McElhenny said. "And if those don't interest you there are plenty of other things in the area to keep you entertained."

The panel discussed what Charleston has to offer off campus such as

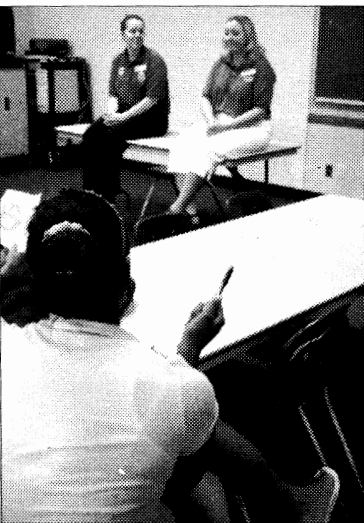
different restaurants, shops in the area and attractions on the Charleston Square.

"This town isn't as small as people think it is," Williams said. "There is a lot out there if you just explore beyond campus."

According to McElhenny, Eastern is "right in the center of cool." She said it is not far from Champaign and Effingham, and also equidistant from Chicago and Indianapolis.

Other sessions during the expo were presented seminar style.

Representatives of Career Services, Eastern's Counseling Center and the School of Continuing Education spoke about available services for students to use.



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Angela Davis, a sophomore psychology major, discusses how GPAs transfer from her previous school to Eastern.



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Columns can be submitted for approval from the author's EIU address. Columns will be edited for space and clarity.

The DEN is also looking for a cartoonist to draw for the opinions page. Cartoonists can draw items on politics or happenings at Eastern or in Illinois.

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## "LET'S GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT"

## How should alternative lifestyles play into politics?

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## DRAWN FROM THE NEWS | DAVID PENNELL



## STAFF EDITORIAL

Bookstore should be  
there to help students

One benefit of attending Eastern is the cost of tuition.

Comparatively, it is less expensive to attend Eastern than other universities in the state.

For many students, this is a major factor in choosing Eastern as opposed to other schools.

When they learn of Textbook Rental, it also helps them choose the school because Eastern is the only university in Illinois that offers this service.

But to have some students' material available through Textbook Rental, which receives funding through student fees, and force other students to go through the University Bookstore at an additional cost to the students is unfair. Not to mention, bookstore prices are higher than prices at other places around Charleston.

An Eastern sweatshirt from Wal-Mart costs less than it does at the bookstore, even though they are both licensed.

Right now, many art classes require students to purchase art kits.

The kit for the Drawing I class costs \$29.95.

Other students do not have to buy these kits.

Because a student does not know what is in the kit beforehand, comparison shopping is not possible.

The reasoning can be made that students in these classes might expect extra purchases.

Also, it could be said that it is similar to lab classes, which charge extra fees that are tacked on to tuition.

But why can't these additional materials be available at Textbook Rental for the students when they pick up their books?

This would save the students money and also avoid any inconvenience that might oc-

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cur because of several students going to the bookstore at the same time to purchase the same supplies.

This often results in the item being sold out and some students being made to wait for their material.

A class syllabus has recommendations as to where to purchase the material. It recommends the bookstore, but in a small town like Charleston finding other places can be tricky.

The syllabus points out that sometimes, the student might have to go to Champaign or order items off the Internet to get the proper supplies. This is a lot of trouble a student has to go through when they've already paid tuition like the rest of the school.

Another option would be to implement a system in which the materials are available in the bookstore for a voucher that is picked up at Textbook Rental. This way, if a student must go to the bookstore, at least they would know that there would be enough supplies to go around.

The extra cost and hassle may not seem like that big of a deal.

But for many students, who struggle to keep up financially and have to take out loans or work menial and low-paying jobs on campus, it can be.

The main purpose of coming to school is to get an education. But living a normal life and not having to struggle to do anything but go to class should be a part of it.

The bookstore should be there to help students.

## COLUMN | MATT'S SOAPBOX



MATT HOPF

Move  
over or  
pull over

Courtesy is usually not a word I associate with driving, unless I count the "thank you" wave people give to each other when allowing someone to turn.

But when I have a three-hour drive going to and from school, courtesy is usually non-existent in most people.

Ambulances, fire trucks and police cars have newfangled technology called sirens and lights.

When emergency workers are responding to a call, they turn on the sirens in order to inform drivers they need to pull over to the right.

Yet driving back to school an ambulance was coming up about a half-mile behind me. It was amazing how many people would not pull over and slow down.

Personally, I try to move over, because my parents, siblings, friends and other relatives come to mind. Even though it is unlikely that one of them is in the ambulance, should I pull over only when it is someone close in my life?

In a life-threatening emergency, every second counts when getting proper medical treatment.

Something as simple as pulling over can save a life.

Courtesy can possibly save a life on the interstate as well.

Most people do not have the luxury of having AAA to come and change a tire when they get a flat.

I have been fortunate when getting flats, having only gotten one while in a parking lot.

Every Labor Day weekend, millions of Americans hit the roads to get one last trip in before summer ends. There is bound to be the occasional flat tire.

When passing a car with someone changing a flat on the driver side of the car, few cars even slowed down. Getting into the left lane was not common either.

The shoulder is not that wide and the jack that comes with most cars is so tiny, you have to almost lay down to get it to work properly.

It makes people look like a target on the roadway.

So it only makes sense to be courteous to the person who is probably not having the greatest day. Pull over in the left lane and slow down. If getting in the left lane is not possible, just slow down.

The same principle applies when passing a state trooper who is issuing a ticket.

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# UB invites locals for Bridge show

Country music-themed Coffee House Night packs MLK Jr. University Union Lounge

By **Beth Hackett**  
Staff Reporter

Jeff Allen said he has been singing since he was three years old, but his guitar career took off when he found an old guitar at his grandmother's house at age 16.

"I took lessons for about three months and got bored," he said. "I started playing my own licks and listening to the radio and I've been playing ever since."

University Board members including Matt Caponera, UB main stage director, saw Jeff Allen at the National Association for Campus Activities workshop and decided he would be a good choice of entertainment for the first Coffee House Night of the year.

"We pick the performers who we think are best for Eastern," Caponera said. "We've been hearing a lot of country support on campus, so we thought the turn out would be great tonight."

The Bridge Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union was almost filled with music fans and supporters as music with country flare drifted through the air Wednesday night.

Jim Thompson, a junior business major, said he enjoys coming to the UB-sponsored events like Coffee House night to discover new music.

"It's cool because I saw Five Times August here last year, then over the summer I was listening to KISS FM and heard them on the radio," he said. "So it's nice to see up-and-coming artists at your own school."

Allen said he enjoys playing for college students on campus, but once in a while it can test his comfort level.

"To be in a place like this and play with no smoke, no lights, no alcohol; you just have to



BETH HACKETT | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jeff Allen sings his own lyrics while playing country rock style music with his band Wednesday night in the Bridge Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union for Coffee House Night. Allen was one of three performers Wednesday night.

kind of sit and be intimate with people," he said. "You just play your stuff and hope that they like it."

He said he always hopes for a positive response from the crowd and he appreciates the fact that people are more sincere when they're not in bars listening to his music.

"It's great to have a crowd and actually see their eyes; they're right in front of me," Allen said. "It allows you to be able to tell a story by song and not have anything to hide

behind."

Thompson said he came out primarily to support the opening performance by Tyler White and liked hearing the technique of Jeff Allen.

"(Allen) has a good style and he has a good sound, especially with his bassist when they harmonize," Thompson said. "He's solid."

Allen and his backup musicians are currently working on a demo and hope to independently release it on Oct. 27.

# Cheating made easier by Internet

CHEATING, FROM PAGE 1

If that fails, the instructor then reports the dishonesty to judicial affairs, an investigation by judicial affairs is conducted, a punishment is decided by judicial affairs and a teacher can impose their own punishment for the student.

A student who accepts the allegations is often assigned an informal punishment.

"If there are no unusual elements to the case, we may choose a more informal resolution and assign the student to complete the Multi-Media Integrity Teaching Tool," Webb said.

The MITT is a computer-based sanction, which explains academic and general integrity concepts. The sanction has multiple sections, which in total takes around four to five hours to complete.

Webb said if cases are more serious in nature, or a student has faced more than one allegation, the case is resolved through a judicial board or an administrative hearing.

Students can appeal punishments decided by a judicial board or an administrative hearing to Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs.

Webb said students who engage in academic dishonesty know how to do quality work, but have such busy schedules that they dabble in academic dishonesty because they do a poor job of prioritizing.

"Most students do not understand that academic dishonesty is not just an individual issue," Webb said. "It is an institutional issue that impacts the overall integrity of Eastern."

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## STATE BRIEFS

The Associated Press

**Murderer escapes from mental facility**

ELGIN — A convicted murderer escaped from a mental health facility in this northwest Chicago suburb after swapping name tags with a visitor, authorities said.

Tolbert Walls, 31, got away from Elgin Mental Health Center's Forensic Unit Monday evening and was considered dangerous, officials said Tuesday.

Police on Tuesday night charged Lisa Mack, 38, of Chicago with aiding the escape of a prisoner, a felony, Welter said.

**Person charged in harbor drowning**

CHICAGO — A Chicago man told his friends that a 62-year-old Vietnamese fisherman "looked hot and needed to go for a swim" before he allegedly shoved the man into a Lake Michigan harbor, causing his death, police said Wednesday.

John J. Haley, 31, was charged with first-degree murder in the death of Du Doan, who was fishing alone from the sidewalk at Montrose Harbor on the city's North Side early Saturday.

Haley went to the lake to watch the sunrise with friends after a night of partying and allegedly shoved Doan from behind, "catapulting" him into the water, authorities said. Doan could not swim and drowned.

**Teach denied tenure over anti-Semitism arguments**

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — A DePaul University professor who has drawn criticism for accusing some Jews of improperly using the legacy of the Holocaust agreed Wednesday to resign immediately "for everybody's sake."

University officials and political science professor Norman Finkelstein issued a joint statement announcing the resignation, which came as about a hundred protesters gathered outside the dean's office to support him.

Finkelstein was denied tenure in June after spending six years on DePaul's faculty, and his remaining class was cut by DePaul last month.

His most recent book, "Beyond Chutzpah: On the Misuse of Anti-Semitism and the Abuse of History," is largely an attack on Harvard law professor Alan Dershowitz's "The Case for Israel."

In it, Finkelstein argues that Israel uses the outcry over perceived anti-Semitism as a weapon to stifle criticism.

Dershowitz, who threatened to sue Finkelstein's publisher for libel, urged DePaul officials to reject Finkelstein's tenure bid.

Finkelstein said in the statement

that he believes the tenure decision was "tainted" by external pressures, but praised the university's "honorable role of providing a scholarly haven for me the past six years." And, he said, he was satisfied that the school had characterized him as "a prolific scholar and an outstanding teacher."

The school denied that outside parties influenced the decision to deny Finkelstein tenure.

"Over the past several months, there has been considerable outside interest about the tenure decision. This attention was unwelcome and inappropriate," the school said in a statement. "In the end, however, it had absolutely no impact on either the process or the final outcome."

But many of the dozens of students wearing "We Are All Professor Finkelstein" T-shirts who turned out in support of the professor said they had no doubt the administration did succumb to outside pressures.

Dershowitz, too, was critical of the school. "DePaul looks like they caved into pressure," he said in a telephone interview. "The idea of describing him as a scholar trades truth for convenience. He's a man who is a propagandist and is not a scholar."

Still, Dershowitz said, "I'm happy he's out of academia. Let him do his ranting on street corners."

Supporters, though, wondered about the long-term effects on the school.

"I think there's just going to be a

**I'm happy he's out of academia. Let him do his ranting on street corners."**

*Alan Dershowitz, Harvard law professor on Finkelstein's resignation*

long standing sentiment of an injustice here," said Thomas Bellino, a 22-year-old student who has taken classes from Finkelstein. "I used to consider the president of DePaul, Father (Dennis) Holschneider, sort of like a friend, someone who was aligned with my beliefs on academic freedom. But now I don't think that anymore and I think much less of the administration."

Ronald Edwards, an untenured biology professor, said he, too, was concerned.

"I think my colleagues and I need to ask if we get tenure at DePaul, is that something to be proud of? Maybe the answer is yes, but we need information before we can answer that question to be yes." And, he said, "Parents of students should ask themselves, 'Do I send my kid to a school where professorships are dubious, in terms of hiring and firing?'"

Finkelstein's resignation comes three years after DePaul made headlines by suspending a professor who

argued with pro-Palestinian students at a campus activities fair.

In that case, DePaul officials maintained that Thomas Klocek's "belligerent and menacing" behavior led to his suspension, and not, as Klocek maintained, because his views were not politically correct.

Amid all the controversy, Finkelstein said he thinks he's leaving the school with his name cleared.

He made a point of saying it was particularly important that DePaul's praise his work.

"I felt finally I had gotten what was my due and that maybe it was time, for everybody's sake, that I move on," he said at a news conference that followed a morning rally staged by students and faculty who carried signs and chanted "stop the witch hunt."

Finkelstein said "DePaul students rose to dazzling spiritual heights in my defense that should be the envy of and an example for every university in the United States."

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## NATION BRIEF

The Associated Press

### Florida man claims baseball player's fame

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But it turns out the Lakeland man was not the Bill Henry who played major league ball, and the tales he spun are unraveling a week after his death following a heart attack.

The former reliever by the same name is alive and well in Texas — stunned someone had claimed his accomplishments for decades. The 79-year-old learned of the impostor after The Associated Press distributed a short obituary. The death — and the bogus history — originally was reported in The Ledger, the local newspaper.

To make it easier, the real Bill Henry featured on the baseball cards looked extremely similar to the one in Lakeland.

# Nuclear weapons flown over US

## Dangerous mistake costs commander job; investigation pending

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A B-52 bomber was mistakenly armed with six nuclear warheads and flown for more than three hours across several states last week, prompting an Air Force investigation and the firing of one commander, Pentagon officials said Wednesday.

The mistake was so serious that President Bush and Defense Secretary Robert Gates were quickly informed and Gates has asked for daily briefings on the Air Force

inquiry, said Defense Department press secretary Geoff Morrell.

He said Gates was assured that "the munitions were part of a routine transfer between the two bases and at all times they were in the custody and control of Air Force personnel and at no time was the public in danger."

Rep. Ike Skelton, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, called the mishandling of the weapons "deeply disturbing" and said the committee would press the military for details. Rep. Edward J. Markey, a senior member of the Homeland Security Committee, said it was "absolutely inexcusable."

"Nothing like this has ever been reported before and we have been assured for decades that it was

impossible," said Markey, D-Mass., co-chair of the House task force on nonproliferation.

The plane was carrying advanced cruise missiles from Minot Air Force Base, N.D., to Barksdale Air Force Base, La., on Aug. 30, said the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because of a Defense Department policy not to confirm information on nuclear weapons.

The missiles, which are being decommissioned, were mounted onto pylons on the bomber's wings and it is unclear why the warheads had not been removed beforehand.

According to the officials, the weapons are designed with multiple safety features that ensure the warheads don't accidentally detonate.

Arming the weapons requires a

number of stringent protocols and authentication codes that must be followed for detonation. And they are designed to withstand a significant impact, including an aircraft crash, without detonating.

The Air Combat Command has ordered a command-wide stand down on Sept. 14 to review procedures, officials said. They said there was minimal risk to crews and the public because of safety features designed into the munitions.

In addition to the munitions squadron commander who was relieved of his duties, crews involved with the mistaken load — including ground crew workers — have been temporarily decertified for handling munitions, one official said.

## Diacetyl in microwave popcorn may cause "popcorn lung"

### Major popcorn companies look to remove chemical

The Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Four of the

nation's biggest microwave popcorn makers are working to remove a flavoring chemical from their products linked to a lung ailment in popcorn plant workers while reassuring consumers about the safety of the snack.

Several of the companies discussed their plans Wednesday, a day

after a leading lung research hospital warned that consumers also could be in danger from the buttery flavoring diacetyl.

The three companies that sell Orville Redenbacher, Act II, Pop Secret and Jolly Time microwave popcorn said they planned to change


the recipes for their butter-flavored microwave popcorn to remove diacetyl.

The chemical diacetyl has been linked to cases of bronchiolitis obliterans, a rare life-threatening disease often called popcorn lung.

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# RHA 'ROCs' out with festival

## Residence halls compete in Mardi Gras themed events

By Jordan Crook  
RHA Reporter

Budget approval for the third annual Residents On Campus Festival will be voted on at tonight's Residence Hall Association meeting.

Ashley Hoogstraten, RHA programming and diversity coordinator, said the expenditure request for the Mardi Gras themed event will include between \$300 and \$400 to fund the various activities, which will be part of the week-long event.

Some of the money will be recouped through T-shirt sales during ROC Fest, Hoogstraten said.

RHA President Jarrod Scherle said he does not foresee any difficulties in getting the representatives to approve the funds.

ROC Fest is a week of friendly competition between residence halls. During the week the residents compete for individual prizes and a trophy for their residence hall.

Hoogstraten said the scoring system of ROC Fest will tie in with the Mardi Gras theme. Residents will receive beads for attending activities and winners will be given an extra set of beads.

Participating residents will turn in their beads during the final ROC Fest activity on Sept. 29 in exchange for raffle tickets, which can be used to purchase items RHA will have for sale.

Hoogstraten said ROC Fest is an important program because it is one of the biggest events the association sponsors during the first semester. She has looked forward to this year's ROC Fest since she began her term.

"ROC Fest was a big reason why I ran for this position on the RHA executive board this year," Hoogstraten said.

Hoogstraten said any member of the residence halls is invited to participate in any event that interests them.

Scherle added people do not need to be a part of RHA or have much knowledge of the organization to become involved in ROC Fest.

Scherle will outline what ROC Fest is about during his report to

the RHA assembly at the meeting and hand out packets to representatives with times, dates and places of events for the fest.

Scherle said the packets will give individual residence halls' executive boards time to create teams and prepare for the events.

ROC Fest will begin with a cardboard boat race at 3 p.m. on Sept. 24 at the campus pond, located between the softball field and the tennis courts behind O'Brien Stadium.

Scherle and Hoogstraten said they participated in the cardboard boat race last year and enjoyed the hectic nature of the activity.

Scherle said he enjoyed watching residents try to cross the pond and come back without falling out of their handmade cardboard boats.

Residents and members of RHA are not the only people on campus who enjoy ROC Fest.

Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining Services, said he enjoys the event but does not participate because he is not a resident.

He enjoys the communal atmosphere the festival creates within the student population.

## RESIDENTS ON CAMPUS FESTIVAL

Tentative schedule of events for ROC Fest:

- **Cardboard Boat Race:** 5:30 p.m. Sept. 24 at Campus Pond
- **South Quad Olympics:** 5:30 p.m. Sept. 25 in the South Quad
- **RHA Kickball:** 5:30 p.m. Sept. 26 in the South Quad
- **RHA Group Dinner:** after the RHA meeting Sept. 27 in Stevenson Hall
- **Guitar Hero/Dance Dance Revolution Tournament:** 7 p.m. Sept. 28 in Andrews Hall basement
- **Photo Scavenger Hunt:** 1 p.m. Sept. 29 in Stevenson Hall
- **Masquerade Ball:** 7 to 10 p.m. Sept. 29 in Pemberton Hall Piano Lounge

"Anything that brings the student resident community together is great," he said.

Hudson said the cardboard boat race last year was one of the funniest things he has ever seen.

Hudson also said the event allows students a diversion from classes and all the other pressures of college life.

"It's fun sometimes just to go off and do something kind of goofy," Hudson said.

Hudson said the activities also serve as a learning experience for students because it shows them how to work as a team and still have fun.

Hoogstraten agreed with Hudson on reasons why students attend ROC Fest.

She said students enjoy the

chance to participate in an event with their friends and fellow residents.

"It's something to do with other students," Hoogstraten said. "There's RSOs, but those are different from ROC Fest."

Hoogstraten said a sense of pride for the individual residence hall is also another aspect impacting student attendance.

"They definitely like to represent their residence halls," Hoogstraten said.

She said the residence hall with the most wins will be awarded a guitar trophy for their victory.

Hoogstraten said Carman Hall has won the guitar trophy the last two years.

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## CROSS COUNTRY | NOTEBOOK

## Team uses meet for a retreat

By Brandy Provaznik  
Sports Reporter

This past weekend the Panthers competed at the Belmont Invitational with the men placing second and the women placing ninth.

But that was not what the weekend was all about, said Eastern head coach Geoff Masanet.

Masanet said the main point of the weekend was to have a teambuilding retreat at the Land Between The Lakes.

"The main point of it is to get away from it all; we still ran, but we canoed, did some archery, and played games too," Masanet said. "It was a chance for the team to learn about each other and grow closer."

Sophomore Jessica Blondell said the weekend really helped her to learn who all the new people were and a little bit about each of them.

"It was almost like forcing us all to hang out but it was really good for us," Blondell said.

Freshman Ryan Hoklas said this weekend helped him to see the team working as a whole. "Not just all the fun and stuff at the camp, but even at the meet everyone was talking to each other and encouraging each other throughout the race no matter how tired they were," Hoklas said.

## Panther Trail to host an alumni meet

Masanet said while the alumni meet is sort of fun and exciting it is basically a "glorified practice."

The alumni meet is at 5 p.m. on Saturday at the Panther Trail.

The men are going to run four miles as opposed to their normal 8,000 meters or about five miles, and the women are

running about 2.1 miles as opposed to their normal 5,000 meters or three miles.

Hoklas thinks the meet will serve as another stepping stone, especially for the younger guys, like himself, to get ready to start running the 8Ks for the rest of the season.

Masanet said he is unsure as to how many or which alumni are coming back for the meet but it will still benefit the kids to hang out with some of them and hear their stories.

"The main thing is seeing our kids run on our own course, so that they are ready next week for the Panther Open," Masanet said. "Especially for the younger ones, they need to get familiar and know this course before next week."

## Team competes through the hardest practice

In order to continue to prepare for the Panther Open, Masanet held what he said was easily his toughest practice of the season Wednesday afternoon.

"If you tried to do this practice on your own there would be no way to get the times you want," Hoklas said. "We really had to rely on our teammates again today just to get through it."

Hoklas said the run was like 80 percent mental and staying focused was the most important part.

"If you didn't stay focused today you would have lost it," Hoklas said. "We did mile repeats, and then 800s (meters) hard, and then 500 (meter) finishes, it was rough."

Sophomore Keith Butler said seeing the miles and how they play out on the course will along with the alumni meet, get the team more comfortable running on their home course.

## NATIONAL SPORTS | GOLF

## Pro golfers don't want playoffs

Harrington, Mickelson not at third week of FedEx Cup playoffs

LEMONT — The third straight week of this FedEx Cup finale is starting to yield more evidence that the PGA Tour Playoffs aren't like the post-season in other sports.

Instead of being desperate to keep playing, some golfers can't wait to go home.

In what sounded like a parade of protests Wednesday at the BMW Championship, Tiger Woods and Ernie Els were among those who sug-

gested that four straight weeks was too much golf and that most players had no input on the major decisions.

"They did not express anything to the players," Els said. "They asked those questions, but they didn't come out and say, 'OK, look, this is what we're going to do, what do you think?' It wasn't directly asked. And unfortunately, we are in this position now because they didn't either listen or they just went on with the decision. And this is where we are."

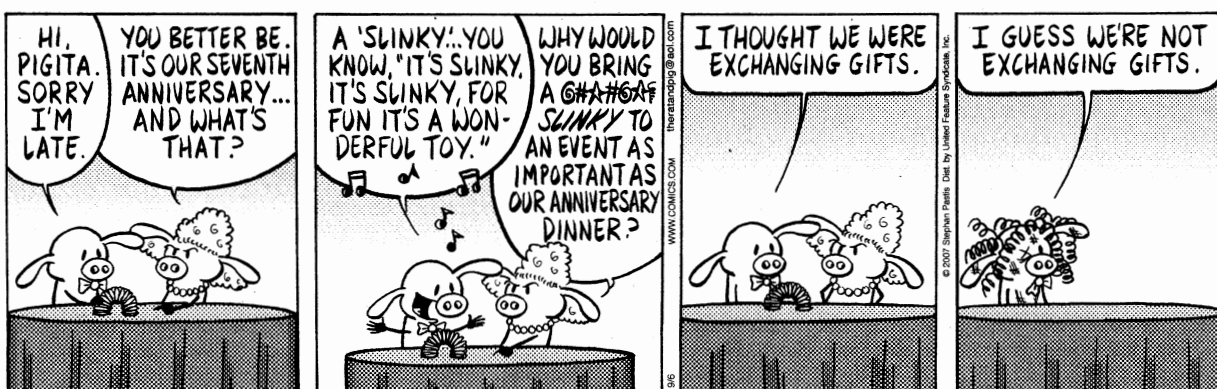
Els skipped the Deutsche Bank Championship a week ago, saying he wanted to see his children off to school in London.

Woods missed the opening round of the playoffs at The Barclays in New York.

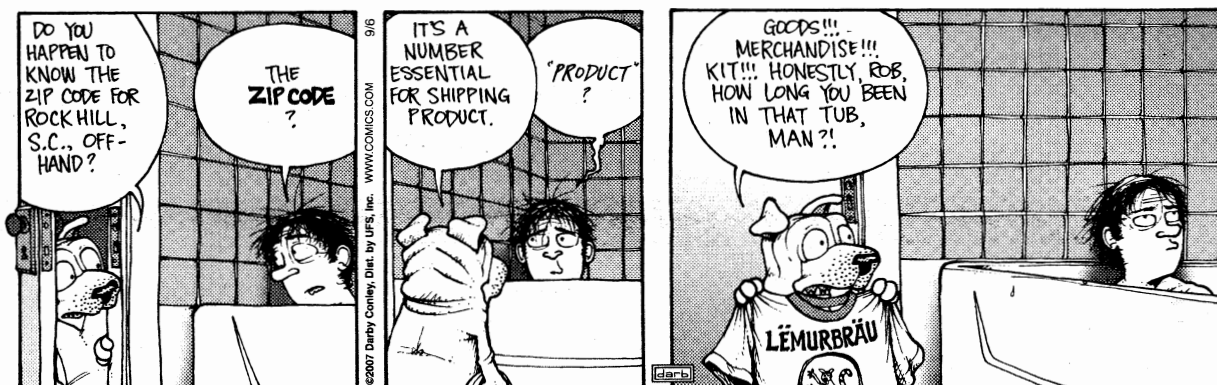
He has not played four straight tournaments since early 2000, and said he was worn out from back-to-back victories concluding at the PGA Championship.

Phil Mickelson and British Open champion Padraig Harrington are not at Cog Hill, with Mickelson creating the biggest stir because he won last week at the TPC Boston and used a national TV audience to make cryptic complaints about Finchem not listening to him.

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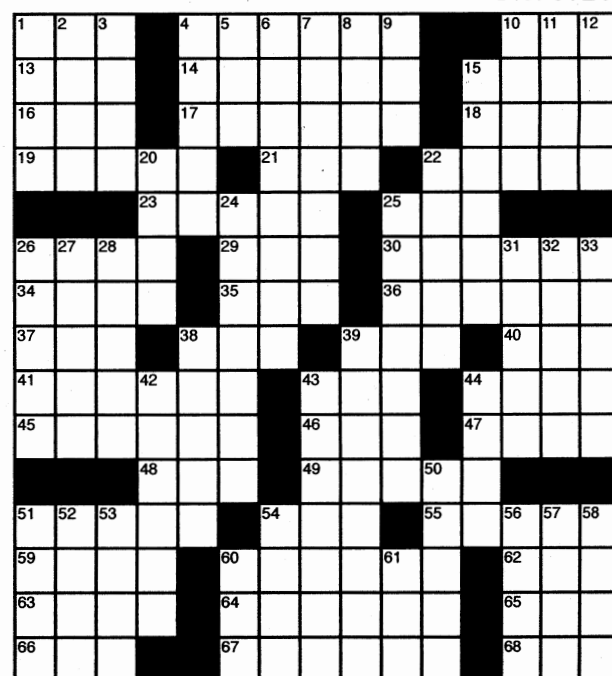
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- 4 Common Halloween costumes
- 10 Opposite of all
- 14 Went on and on
- 15 Loser
- 17 Hosts
- 18 Try, as something new
- 21 Engine meas.
- 22 Like some low-rise buildings
- 23 West Indies, e.g.
- 25 Suffix with super
- 29 Inaugural oath starter
- 30 Places where fans may gather to watch a game
- 35 End of a match
- 36 Noted 1829 West Point graduate
- 38 Summer clock setting: Abbr.
- 39 Buffoon
- 40 Deem appropriate
- 43 Imitate
- 44 Irish playwright who wrote "The Shadow of a Gunman"
- 46 Bill of Rights freedom: Abbr.
- 47 Countryman of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer
- 48 "Monsters, \_\_\_\_\_" (2001 Pixar film)
- 49 Long-billed wading bird
- 54 Shade of green
- 55 Target of chondrolaryngoplasty surgery
- 60 English king who was the youngest son of William the Conqueror
- 62 Barely
- 64 Canine coat?
- 65 Comforting words
- 67 Some dips
- 68 What some browsers browse
- DOWN
- 1 Spanish card suit
- 2 Kind of mile: Abbr.
- 3 Inner: Prefix
- 4 London shades
- 5 Part of a western sandwich
- 6 One way to buy things
- 7 Hamlet, to Claudius
- 8 Abound (with)
- 9 Radical '60s org.
- 10 Card, e.g.
- 11 Bone: Prefix
- 12 Bear
- 15 Like a thumb struck with a hammer
- 20 Spring (from) \_\_\_\_\_ the morning
- 24 Not really sing
- 25 Certain Middle Easterner
- 26 Cloud up

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Puzzle by Joe Kroll

## Eastern football to work on balanced offense output

PURDUE FROM PAGE 12

The Boilermakers only allowed 154 passing yards and had two interceptions against three different Toledo quarterbacks.

Stinson, meanwhile, threw for a career-high 308 yards in a near-flawless performance, completing 19-of-26 passes against the Golden Eagles.

"This QB we'll play this week is much more accurate than the quarterbacks for Toledo last week," Tiller said. "I think he throws the deep ball really well. In fact, it's been a while since I've seen a guy throw a deep ball as well as him."

And Eastern offensive coordinator Jorge Munoz said Stinson's night could have been even better. He also said Eastern receivers dropped two passes, and on two incompletions, Stinson could have completed a pass by throwing to one of his secondary reads.

"Sometimes it's hard though. When you have Micah out there running down the field sometimes, I can't blame him for forcing it down the field either," Munoz said. "That's the whole thing. Just stay consistent with what he's been taught. And if it's not there and check it down and

go from there."

Eastern head coach Bob Spoo said initially after last Thursday night's win he was not pleased with the running game. The team rushed for 122 yards, led by starter Tavorus Bess' 67 on 11 carries. But most of those yards came late in the game.

Yet, Spoo and Munoz said this week the reason for not more balance in the offense was Tennessee Tech's defense. The Golden Eagles were intent on stopping Eastern's running game, sometimes putting eight defenders near the line of scrimmage and leaving the wide receivers with one-on-one coverage against the defensive backs.

Munoz said Eastern's offensive mindset depends on the opponent's defense.

Stinson does not receive the whole play call until he breaks the huddle, and depending on what look the opposing defense gives, the other half of the play is then called.

"Our philosophy is we'll be one-dimensional if you're going to make us be that way," Munoz said. "We'll pass the ball 50 times a game; we'll run the ball 50 times a game. Whatever you're giving us, that's what we'll take."

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TOP CAT | ALEX HARRISON

# FORGET THE FRESHMAN LABEL

*Editor's note: Top Cat is a weekly feature piece that displays one of the dominant athletes from the past week and gives a profile of the player and moments from the sporting event.*

## Freshman Alex Harrison reflects on his first Panther and collegiate goal

By Brandy Provaznik  
Sports Reporter

The score was tied 1-1 in overtime when freshman forward Alex Harrison took a pass from junior forward Brad Peters and kicked the ball in for the score and the win against Belmont last Friday.

This was the first game of the regular season and Harrison's first goal for the Panthers.

Harrison said he thought it surprised some people because after the game a few guys from the team were giving him high fives and freshmen don't normally score right away.

"I don't look at myself as just a freshman though, I am just another guy on the team," Harrison said.

Head coach Adam Howarth said he thinks it was a great way for Harrison to start the season, but the goal didn't come as that much of a surprise to him.

"I think he is definitely a goal scorer, and he definitely has the ability to put the ball in the back of the net, so he has as good a shot as anybody on the team to make those plays, even as a freshman," Howarth said.

Being a freshman is not the only thing that may set Harrison apart from the majority of the team.

Harrison is one of the three men on Eastern's team this year from England.

Sophomore defender Chris Pearson played with Harrison at Gateshead (a college in England) for the 2005-2006 season where they helped lead their team to the ECFA national championship.

Harrison said in England after you go through three years of high school you can decide if you want to stay in the high school for a few more years or if you want to go to college.

"I chose to go to college at Gateshead because it is more of like what I am doing here and it helped train me and get me ready," Harrison said.

While at Gateshead, Harrison earned a BTEC national diploma in sports science and two different coaching badges in soccer.

Harrison said he is pursuing a major in physical education.

He said the adjustment was a little hard at first but that it definitely helped that there were other people that had to go through the same things.

Howarth came to visit Harrison over Christmas break of last year and arranged a meeting between Harrison, Pearson and Mick Galeski, a senior on the team this year also from England.

"I just felt like I was walking into somewhere that I knew a lot more about than other schools, and having two other English lads on the team from similar backgrounds was very nice and helped me to settle in,"

Harrison said.

A big difference Harrison noticed between here and Newcastle is at home he always had something to do.

"Newcastle is one of the biggest party cities in the world and people go out everyday, and the drinking age is only 18 there so going out to bars and clubs happens all the time," Harrison said.

Harrison said Charleston is good for keeping him from going out all the time and staying focused on soccer.

Harrison said in Newcastle a lot of his friends did not play soccer so they would want to go out all the time, even when he had practice the next day.

"Here, I always hang out with guys from the team so we all know we can't go out and we are so busy that we really don't have the time, and that discipline is good for me," Harrison said.

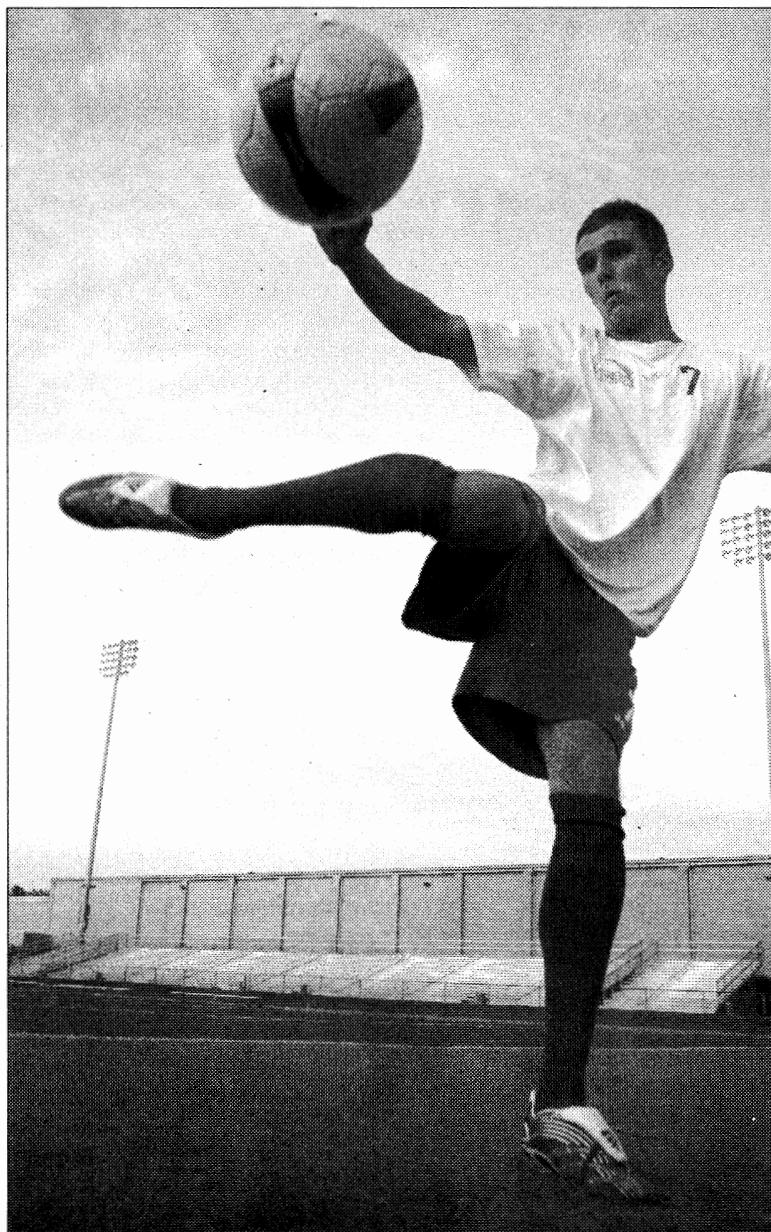
Harrison said he has to focus even more out on the field because Howarth has changed his position up a little bit from what he is used to.

Harrison is still playing forward, but Howarth has pulled him back a little just behind the other striker.

"It is sort of two jobs, like the forward still but a little bit of mid-field and it was a tough adjustment, but I like the challenge" Harrison said.

Howarth said he thinks the new position helps the team and suits Harrison a little more.

"Alex has good vision and foot-work skills, and he seems to be adapting well to it," Howarth said.



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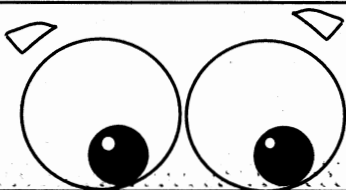
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## FOOTBALL | NOTEBOOK

# All-American linebacker ready for Purdue game

By Matt Daniels  
Staff Reporter

Roc Bellantoni says Eastern's All-American middle linebacker Donald Thomas is overdramatic sometimes.

But after Eastern's defensive coordinator saw Thomas lying on the O'Brien Stadium field early in the fourth quarter of last Thursday's win against Tennessee Tech, Bellantoni knew Thomas wasn't kidding.

Thomas was blocked by a Tennessee Tech player and did not get off the ground for approximately five minutes.

"As he kept laying there, my first thought was 'Oh God, don't do this to me again. I can't go through this again,'" Bellantoni said. "I became really, really worried and thought for sure it was something serious."

It was an eerie situation similar in some ways to last year's season opener. All-American linebacker Clint Sellers lay motionless on the field at Illinois after the opening kickoff.

Sellers ended up damaging his brachial plexus bundle in his right shoulder, a nerve connected to his spinal cord.

Sellers' football career ended on that play.

But Thomas jumped up and ran off the field just before a medical team was approaching with a backboard to carry him off the field.

Thomas didn't play again in the game, suffering what Bellantoni called a hyperextended neck.

"Thankfully, it was nothing major," Bellantoni said. "I think it scared everybody more than anything."

Thomas has practiced with the team all week and head coach Bob Spoo said he will be ready to play this Saturday against Purdue.

## Players experience Ross-Ade Stadium before game

This is the first time ever Eastern will play Big Ten opponent Purdue.

But two Eastern players have played at Ross-Ade Stadium before heading into Saturday's game against Purdue.

Starting quarterback Cole Stinson traveled there in 2004 when he was with Ball State, but did not play in Ball State's 59-7 loss.

And starting defensive tackle

Jeff Sobol traveled with Illinois for a game there in 2005, but did not play.

And Eastern head coach Bob Spoo played at Purdue in the late-1950s, and coached there from the late-70s until the mid-80s.

Ross-Ade, which opened Nov. 22, 1924, has undergone a \$70 million renovation since 2001, adding a new video board, a new grass playing surface and reducing the capacity from 66,295 to its current 62,500.

"Even though I've been back to Purdue on a couple of occasions, I have not been inside Ross-Ade Stadium," Spoo said. "So it'll be a curious time for me."

## Steinbrenner, Yankees owner, has Purdue ties

Spoo was a sophomore quarterback on the 1956 Purdue team, the same year George Steinbrenner served as a volunteer assistant coach for Purdue. Yes, that George Steinbrenner, the long-time owner of the New York Yankees.

"I don't even remember who he coached or what he coached," Spoo said.

## Purdue cruises to win in opener against Toledo

Purdue head coach Joe Tiller joked Tuesday that his team took a knee on the final three plays to lose five yards so the rushing yards would equal the passing yards.

It did not, but for a team with a reputation for pass first, rush second the Boilermakers run game actually out-gained the passing game in Saturday's 52-24 win at Toledo.

Senior quarterback Curtis Painter went 14-of-30 for 244 yards, while Purdue rushed for 254 yards.

Senior Kory Sheets rushed for 91 yards on 11 carries, while junior Jaycen Taylor had nine rushes for 86 yards.

"Balance is something you strive for all the time whether it's spread or wing-T football," Tiller said. "If we weren't as experienced as we are (offensively), we'd be more simplistic in our things."

## Painter latest in line of Purdue QBs

Painter is coming off a record-breaking 2006 season.

The three-year starter threw for

3,985 yards, a Purdue single-season record, and a Big Ten season record as well.

Bellantoni knows his defense cannot completely stop Painter during Saturday's game.

"We're going to try to slow him down," Bellantoni said. "Our defensive philosophy isn't to lead the nation in pass defense. We're going to be sound and simple and keep the ball in front of us and make tackles."

Spoo had a first-hand role in the development of some Purdue quarterbacks, which under Tiller's regime have included current National Football League quarterbacks Drew Brees and Kyle Orton.

Spoo coached Mark Herrmann, Scott Campbell and Jim Everett during his time at Purdue.

And Spoo said Painter ranks right up there with all of the above-mentioned players.

"He's got great awareness, great strength," he said. "He can put the ball anywhere on the field. I'm sure he's becoming more and more comfortable every year knowing the offense."

## Ziemba scores first career goal

FLOYD, FROM PAGE 12

"It felt great," Ziemba said. "I hope there's more to come."

Senior forward Michelle Steinhaus also had a multi-goal game earlier this year against Eastern Michigan. Steinhaus had two goals in Eastern's 3-1 on Aug. 31.

Steinhaus, Floyd and senior midfielder Kathleen Hayes led the offense with three shots.

Steinhaus could have a goal in the first half as well. Her open goal shot went bounced off the crossbar.

Eastern sophomore goalkeeper Jenny Williams made three saves in 90 minutes of play.

Williams almost missed a save that could have changed the game. Luckily, senior midfielder Karisa Brenner swept the ball off the goal line and out of play in the 63rd minute.

"Karisa stepped up for us in a big way," Floyd said of Brenner's last-second play. "(The game) could have gone a different way."

Eastern plays Missouri at 1 p.m. on Sunday in Columbia, Mo.

## Eastern to play strong blockers

MURPHY, FROM PAGE 12

She expects to see strong blockers this upcoming weekend against Ball State and Illinois State and against Ohio Valley Conference teams.

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## TOP CAT

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# SPORTS



KEVIN MURPHY

## Sesol's time to shine

For Amy Sesol, it's been a long couple of weeks.

She's had to worry about the start of the new volleyball season and the health of her grandmother, whom she worried about during a recent trip to Dallas and in the Pepsi Challenge.

She coped with it though.

"You have to put it in the back of the mind," Sesol said.

The sophomore middle blocker from Homer Glen had a key block in Eastern's final match against Loyola at the Pepsi Challenge. Her block in the fourth game put Eastern on a 2-0 spurt, and helped the Panthers close out the match and the tournament.

After the Eastern Pepsi Challenge this weekend, Sesol went home and visited her grandmother and the rest of her family for the holiday weekend.

"Family is extremely important to me," Sesol said.

And even with Sesol's athletic ability, she isn't the star of the team.

There is senior Maren Crabtree who is an outstanding setter. There are the Zwettler sisters (freshman outside hitter Alex and senior outside hitter Eliza). Also there is freshman outside hitter Kelsey Orr, whose mom was an All-American at Purdue in volleyball, and her sister plays the sport at Western Kentucky. And sophomore Shaina Boylan's dad is an assistant coach with the Chicago Bulls.

Amidst all of those storylines, Bennett is proud of Sesol for pushing for a starting position.

Bennett said Sesol started changing a lot of things from last year, which included her diet, studying and even the amount of sleep.

"She's embracing that opportunity to play," Bennett said.

Sesol has played in all seven matches, and does what her job description says.

She leads the team in blocks. She averages .82 blocks a game. She has 18 blocks through 6 games. And Sesol comprises one-third of the team's total blocks.

Team blocking is what Eastern needs to work on and Sesol can help them get there. With her being one of the tallest members of them at six feet, she will be important for them to get there.

In the win against Illinois-Chicago, Eastern finished with a season high 10 blocks.

Bennett said last Saturday that they would need to do more team blocking.

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# ENOUGH OFFENSE TO KEEP IT CLOSE

Purdue must prepare for diverse Panther offense

By Matt Daniels  
Staff Reporter

Eastern starting quarterback Cole Stinson rolled to his right and threw a long pass to wide receiver Alicus Nozinor down the right sideline.

Nozinor came down with the catch inside the 10-yard line, and was forced out of bounds at the 1-yard line.

The 50-yard completion in the third quarter of last Thursday night's win against Tennessee Tech did not result in a touchdown for Nozinor.

But it did showcase one thing to Purdue head coach Joe Tiller as his team prepares to play Eastern this Saturday in West Lafayette, Ind.

Tiller said he thought the only deep ball threat in Eastern's offensive game plan was All-American wide receiver Micah Rucker after watching game film of Eastern's 45-24 win against Tech.

Which isn't surprising considering Rucker's opening-game performance of nine catches for 169 yards.

Rucker had three catches for more than 30 yards and also forced two defensive pass interference penalties, both which came on long passes.

"I was surprised, but certainly interested in how effective he was as a deep receiver," Tiller said. "He's a tall guy. He can win any jump ball."

The 6-foot-6, 221-pound Rucker was Stinson's favorite target last



Freshman red-shirt wide receiver John Gadson dives into the end zone during the first offensive drive last Thursday in the season opener against Tennessee Tech.

Thursday. But the play of Nozinor, who missed the 2006 season because of academic eligibility, also stood out. Nozinor had four catches for 81 yards, including the 50-yard reception.

"If he thought that, I wish I wouldn't have thrown that ball to (Nozinor)," Stinson said about Tiller's comment, "Or he wouldn't have known he was there at all."

Eastern's offense will have a diffi-

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cult task this weekend when it faces a Purdue team, which gave up 326 yards of total offense in its 52-24 win against Toledo last Saturday.

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### WOMEN'S SOCCER | EASTERN 3, INDIANA STATE 0

# Floyd makes mark against Indiana State

Chatham native finished with two goals, assist

By Kevin Murphy  
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Even senior forward Kellie Floyd said her second goal was ugly on Wednesday afternoon.

Floyd goal's in the 74th minute bounced off some Indiana State defenders in front of the goal box and went through the goalkeeper.

Junior forward Pam Melinauskas was credited with the assist.

Floyd's goal helped lead the Panthers to a 3-0 win against the Sycamores at Lakeside Field.

"I don't care how they go in," Eastern head coach Tim Nowak said. "I just want them to go in."

Floyd also scored in the 10th minute of the game off a touch from sophomore forward Rachel Hamilton. Hamilton has notched an assist for every game of the season.

Freshman defender Danielle Flynn also assisted on the play for her first collegiate assist. Flynn caught Indiana State (0-3) by surprise when



Senior forward Kellie Floyd battles for the ball against Indiana State Wednesday afternoon at Lakeside Field. Floyd would go on to score two goals and notch an assist in the Panthers victory against the Sycamores.

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she moved toward the midfield and sent the ball to Hamilton who headed it down to Floyd's feet.

"Kellie did a good job staying

wide and creating the space," Nowak said. "Kellie kept a lot of composure and put it away."

Floyd, a Chatham native, notched

her second multi-goal game for the Panthers (2-1). Her first was against Southeast Missouri last year at Lakeside Field.

The Ohio Valley Conference named Floyd the Co-OVC Player of the Year last season. Floyd played in 20 games last season and finished with four goals and five assists.

Floyd said last season she kept her emotions in check for her to be successful on the field.

"I definitely have to remind myself, especially being a senior because the younger players are looking to see all of the senior's reactions," Floyd said. "If I react in a negative way, then they're going to be like, 'I can do that too.'"

She also told freshman forward Angela Ziemba that it was her turn to score.

It rang true when Floyd assisted on Ziemba's first collegiate goal.

Floyd lofted the ball over an Indiana State player, over Melinauskas and to Ziemba's feet.

Ziemba, a Frankfort native scored the point-blank goal in the 81st minute.

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